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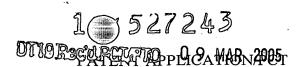
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Sir:

Enclosed are appropriate papers for initiating the national phase of the above-identified PCT application, comprising a specification and claims. A Preliminary Amendment is also enclosed.

Please accept the application for purposes of granting a filing date and recognize Richard L. Byrne, Russell D. Orkin and Paul M. Reznick, Registration Nos. 28,498, 25,363 and 33,059, respectively, as attorneys in this application, pending the filing of a formal Declaration and Power of Attorney.

Kindly direct all communications relating to this application to Richard L. Byrne.

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